

When does a building permit expire?

Section 105.3.2 of the 2006 International Building Code, adopted by Maricopa County, specifies that permit(s) expire 180 days from the date issued or the last completed inspection.



Is there an option to extend this 180 day period? — YES

Maricopa County Building Codes allow for ONE free extension upon prior written request.

The extension will be for an additional 180 days from the original expiration date. If during this period, you call for a field inspection, the expiration date will automatically extend another 180 days.

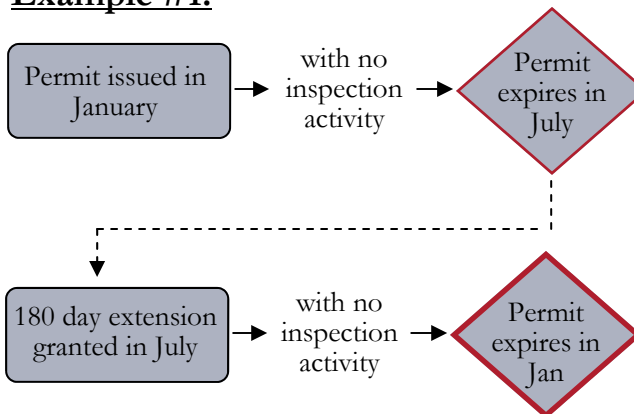
Important Drainage Note:

If there has been insufficient construction as approved by the Drainage Administrator during this 180 days extension, the drainage clearance may be withdrawn. This could result in the order to remove any construction that may adversely impact drainage.

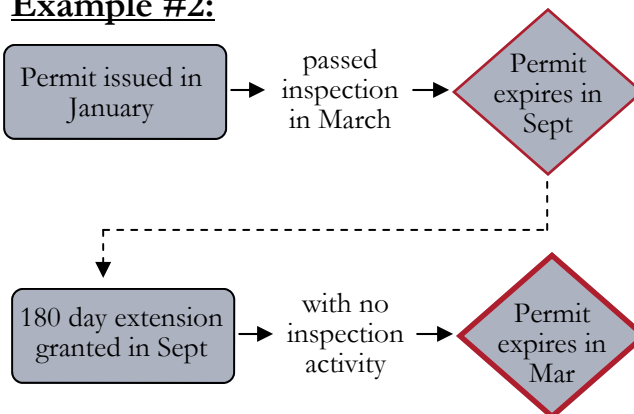
What if my permit has gone beyond the 180 days?

A permit may be renewed within 360 days of the expiration date by visiting the office, completing another application and paying half of the building permit fee. This will renew the permit for another 180 days. If there are no inspections schedule during this period, the permit will expire again and can no longer be renewed.

Example #1:



Example #2:



Any permit that has been expired for more than 360 days cannot be extended or renewed.

How to Obtain an Extension on a Building Permit

A written request should be received by our office by either letter or email at least two weeks before your permit(s) expires.

Please briefly explain the reason for your request and list all tracking numbers associated with the project that need to be granted an extension.

You may address your letter to:

Plan Review Division Mgr
Maricopa Planning & Development
501 N. 44th Street, 2nd Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85008

OR

via email to
pndplanreview@mail.maricopa.gov

You should receive written notice of the decision within 7 to 10 days.

Reminder: Be sure to call for building AND drainage inspections before the new expiration date. To schedule, call (602) 506-3692.



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